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Sir:

This responds to the requirement for restriction mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 16, 2009. Applicants hereby elect Group XVI (claims 4, 7, 10-11, and 18 (in part)) with traverse. Inasmuch as the Office Action sets a one-month shortened statutory period for response, to end July 16, 2009, no fee is believed due at this time. However, the Office is authorized to charge any required fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.